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## MEMO FROM Fredrick Töben:

### Dear Everyone – regarding the 9/11 and Holocaust-Shoah lies:

1. It is not a matter of attacking Israel/Jews as such but of searching for the truth of a matter and naming the names that constructed the lies that are then legally enshrined and defended/executed by individuals.
2. Such a quest does not rely on social approval or support, as some imply if their website attracts more attention than another's because it is an individual's social, moral and legal duty to pursue the truth of a matter.
3. It is an intellectually liberating, though often lonely, exercise to find the truth of a matter – because believing in lies perverts our understanding of our brief sojourn on this planet.
4. To particularize my concerns and that most critic shamefully avoid answering in their response to my assertions, an allegation has been made against Germans that during WW II its political leadership: 1. Exterminated 6 million Jew, 2. On a state executive order, 3. The murder weapon being mainly homicidal gas chambers.
5. If I directly ask anyone to comment on something, then I think I can expect a fearless response or, who or what do you fear?
6. What follows below are transcripts of a free speech seminar with four speakers – all of them avoid the Holocaust issue, and this indicates to me that it is this avoidance in focusing on the ideological construct that is holding the post-WWII together, which is actually contributing towards the global demise, in particular of the free-and-democratic-western world.
7. This is not a specific Jewish matter either but it helps to scapegoat by attracting the nonsense concept 'antisemite' or 'racist' thereby further deflecting from the fundamental values that are crushed through such physically staged events as 9/11, among others.
8. I don't know if you read my book ***Arbeit macht Frei: impertinent incarceration*** – but therein I have a prisoner who bemoaned the fact that 'nobody likes me. I bend over – I suck cock. It not help.' I think of him when I hear anyone say their website is viewed by millions. I also think of our first webmaster who informed me in 1994 that he could manipulate the hit coutner that he had attached to Adelaide Institute's website. Now I am advised that there are individuals offering their services that guarantees anyone a 'positive image' when Googling their own name. This service comes with a trist – it has to be maintained on a monthly basis, and at around \$1000 that's a lucrative business for those who still care to maintain a public profile, albeit a manipulated-spin-type. For me a questing for Truth is not a popularity contest because that would be crass materialism emerging out of the shadows where we can soon slip into hubris because the Internet is full of such fickle hot air.
9. What we now need is an **International Symposium** that focuses on: **Day 1-9/11** and **Day 2-Holocaust-Shoah**.

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**Here are four champions fighting PC but who through their own moral and intellectual bankruptcy unwittingly contribute to the decline in Free Expression because they fear to tackle the big daddy of PC – HOLOCAUST!**

## **You Can't Say That: Freedom of Speech & the Invisible Muzzle**

**Monday, 1 August 2011**

The theme for this year's CIS Big Ideas Forum is political correctness and its insidious march into Western society. Ostensibly a tool of civility and respect, it is often, on closer inspection, a way of silencing unpopular opinion, and is a serious threat to freedom of speech. Join **Dr Thilo Sarrazin**, former central banker and author; **Dr Janet Albrechtsen**,

columnist with *The Australian*; **Professor James Allan**, bills-of-rights scholar; and **Brendan O'Neill**, pulls-no-punches journalist and editor of the popular online UK publication *spiked* for a closer look into the pervasive problem of political correctness.

### **Professor James Allan**

Thank you very much for having invited me. Isn't this the perfect place, the Grand Masonic Lodge, to have a discussion on Political Correctness. I did text Greg (Lindsay, Executive Director of CIS) and suggest maybe we can build a volcano and sacrifice a virgin but he told me he didn't think he'd have the time to find one, which surprised me because I thought my co-pañellist Brendan might volunteer himself but he didn't. Well, anyway, a few minutes to talk about Political Correctness. I want to give you a framework, a template, so I'm going to do three things:

I want to outline what I think are the three main types of Political Correctness because I think we use the pejorative label to refer not always to the same sin. Having done that then I'll speculate on the motives for being politically correct and I have a slightly more open mind on this having heard Brendon on the weekend, so I'm not totally committed to mine, this on the motive front. Then thirdly, I'm going to tell you why I think fighting back against political correctness matters.

But the first and most important sort of political correctness for me, anyway, the most dangerous type, here's how an American pundit defined it, and again I think this is one sort of Political Correctness, he said: Political Correctness refers to the resistance from descriptions of reality because of the way they may be perceived by groups to whom our elites have decided to be hypersensitive.

So, the idea that certain well-placed elites in society take particular subjects off the table. They limit what is seen acceptable in polite company, what is acceptable to talk about in polite company, and the topics taken off the table are ones that involve a hypersensitivity to the feelings of certain groups in society. Not all groups. You can say pretty much anything you like about Christians, or paint anything you like about Christ, but different rules apply to, say, Islam. So what is acceptable there is much more constrained.

So at this first sort of Political Correctness you're almost talking about a group right not to be offended. But it's only for a favoured few groups.

For instance, Andrew Bolt gets taken to court for voicing an opinion, which really boils down to which sorts of Aboriginal individuals ought to receive what amounts to affirmative action benefits or perks. We can all have different views on that but the fact is that his view is one that allows people, because of their hurt feelings, to start a court action.

Now, it strikes me that none of the supporters of that hate speech legislation and court action would dream of supporting a hurt feelings court action if we change the scenario and we imagine, say, a group of Americans who were offended,

honestly sincerely offended, by other people who are burning the American flag. They wouldn't say you ought to be able to take those people to court because of your hurt feelings. At least, I dare say, there'd be a different reaction from many people who support the legislation that allows people to take Andrew Bolt to court.

So you can see that this first sort of Political Correctness has a corollary that really amounts to a group right not to be offended, and it only applies to a select or favoured few groups and doesn't apply to everyone. So, everyone outside the favoured circle has to buck up and have a thick skin, which is my view, we all should have to do, take offensive words on the chin – and other groups don't have to do this.

Don't get me wrong. Every society on earth puts some limits on speech. Even the Americans who formally have the most protection – you can't counsel murder; there's limits on some forms of obscenity. If you go to any American university you can't say anything. That's not a legal limit, I can tell you, that's a self-imposed one. So we're not talking about that. We're talking here about how much scope do you want to basically speak your mind. I want as much as possible.

So the problem with Political Correctness in my first form is it limits to some extent what you can say, at least about some favoured groups. They don't have to have a thick skin as the rest of us. And in fact, Political Correctness leads to people to censor themselves to some extent, and it gnaws away at free speech. I've said this plenty of times but I'll say it again: the only kind of free speech that I think matters is the kind that protects offensive speech.

Your protection of free speech that amounts to free speech that we all want to hear, you know the kind of speech, you can just imagine us all sitting around in a circle, we're holding hands, Oliver's playing the guitar, Rolf's singing Cum Bya – that's worthless. Protecting that kind of speech is worthless because we all agree. The only kind of protection for free speech that matters is the kind that people don't want to hear, that offend people. So, it's precisely that kind of free speech I think that the first strand of Political Correctness gnaws at, and it's important that you recognise that it's the most important strand.

Now if you want an egregious example of this, there's lots of them, the Andrew Bolt trial here in Australia – because often this is linked to, I think, hate speech laws that overreach. In Canada there's loads more examples, and I'll say this at the end that Australia less politically correct, I know it's less politically correct than Canada, New Zealand, I would probably say the US, too. But we're going in the wrong direction.

In Canada there's the example of Mark Steyn, most of you know that, Israel Levant. There's a great one that I like, a Canadian stand-up comedian. His name is Guy Row – a true story – he was practising his profession, which is stand-up comedy. In the course of one of his acts two women started to heckle him. He started to make jokes at the two hecklers about them being lesbians, bad luck for him they were; he got taken to court, he had to pay a big fine. He basically hasn't worked since. You see, in Canada you can't mark lesbians who pay to come to your show, who heckle you, and you can't respond to that.

There's lots of more serious examples in Europe – Geert Wilders, Laars Hedegaard, Viennese Mother Elisabeth Savage Wolf, you'll hear from some others. The only thing that drives these prosecutions really is the perceived insult, and usually the defendant is barred from proving the truth of the statement. That's what happened to Mark Steyn. He couldn't prove in court that what he said was true, which is bizarre, and I can only hope that a future government here in Australia repeals that awful Section 18c of the Racial Discrimination Act.

Look, lots of people say things that we don't agree with that are awful but you just have to suck it up sometimes. You don't have to read John Stuart Mill to realize that there is a lot of them. The best justification for free speech is if you believe in the competition of ideas you move forward and that means you have to hear things you don't agree with and find offensive.

So that's what I see as strand number one of Political Correctness. A less important strand but one that's out there for sure, so it also gets labelled political correctness, has to do with what I call regulatory overkill. Think of Health & Safety Regulations and Rules, over-obsession with Equality. So now you can think of all the over-the-top government regulations to do with school playgrounds – risk assessment forms. You know at the university I had to fill out eight forms to do anything. Warning sign that you're about to drink hot coffee; police directives in the UK how to eat your lunch. All the tort laws idiocies that come out of the US.

My personal experience, I lived for eleven years in Dunedin, till I moved over here six years ago, so my son who was 11 when we moved over you only have to say All Black and he puts on a shirt that's and hopes for the All Blacks ...but otherwise Australian. But the one that really has struck me and continues to strike me is when you lived in New Zealand and road works were being done you have the people actually doing the road works jack hammers and everything. There might be one orange cone five feet in front of the works. I moved to Australia and what I discovered you can't actually do road works without an Iraq war army of safety officers: lights, people directing the traffic, five or six I.R. consultants. It's unbelievable, I still can't get over it. There's more people directing the traffic than actually doing anything. That is not the way it works. So that's an example on the health and safety front. I'm sure you all have your own.

On the over-obsession with equality. Here's a very good example, a very recent one. The European Court of Justice recently, and this is binding on the UK, I feel sorry for the UK. Teenage girls, they decided, have to pay the same for car insurance as teenage boys. The facts of life, or the overwhelming actuary evidence who drives better being totally irrelevant. It prompted one critic in the UK to say about the ruling these judges and lawyers have become so infatuated with the concept of anti-discrimination in the abstract that they really can't distinguish between Nazis and Actuaries.

So that's another kind of political correctness that we laugh about. It's not as serious as the first kind that stifles free

speech. That leaves me a little time to move on to strand three. This is the third sin that often attracts the label political correctness, and I summarise it as the rise of the humourless, po-faced neo-prudes. You know, people who can't laugh at anything and they don't want anyone else either. Latter-day puritans – we see them in parliament, we see them in the newspapers, we see them through the ABC. They're basically today's version of Cromwell's Roundheads.

Let me tell you a true story. I'm going to say it even though it's on camera. It happened to me two or three years ago. I was picking up my son from school, he was in Year 10. He'd just finished cricket practice, and by the way, I brag to people I'm the only Canadian on the planet who knows how to score cricket. You have to do something on those Saturdays when you are there. He gets in the car and as we're driving home he says: 'Dad, do you know what a stereo-type is?'

'I think so. Why do you ask?'

He said to me, 'Dad, how do you know it's an Asian whose broken into your house?'

'I have no idea.'

He said: 'Dad. You get home, the homework's done, the dog's missing, and the thief is still trying to back out of the driveway.' Now this is what a teacher at my son's school used to start a discussion about stereotypes. If you don't think that's a fantastic way for a teacher to introduce a discussions about stereotypes, why they develop, why they've always been around, how they can mislead, not least because teenagers respond to humour in a way they don't respond to preaching and puritanical certitudes from on high. It would never, ever, ever happen in Canada. It was one of the great things - you know I would never remove my son from that school once it happened because kids are pretty astute in some ways. They don't respond getting preached at. So, I think humour can be a victim of political correctness, too, and you know it is.

So, that's a quick summary of the three main types of political correctness to me. Now, let's have a quick think what can motivate this political correctness. Subject to some of the things Brendan is going to say later. The first one the important one, the speech stifling sort of political correctness – it favours certain groups in society. Here's what Mr Bean, the English comedian Rowan Atkinson, very funny man. He condemns this as the ridiculous right not to be offended. Isn't that ridiculous. What we need is a right to offend. You know, not especially true in today's western world where there are so many people who see it as their life's work to be offended. They have a commitment trying to be offended.

So, I put this down to two main causes, and I emphasise main. There's a sort of poser moralism out there, a sort of bumper sticker moralising, where you're trying to exhibit your superior moral antenna.

The second factor, I think that sometimes underplays is fear and a good example is with the Danish cartoon about Mohammed, and the absolutely spineless response that was exhibited after that by the press around the world.

Now, look, they knew that a very small slice of Muslim extremists sometimes deliver on their threats, and they do actually create murderous mayhem. So, in response to the Danish cartoons these newspapers, not all of them, but the vast proponents took the path of least resistance. It's now my view, and I'm the subject of my upbringing. I went to a state school in Toronto. I soon learned there's one proper response to bullying, when you stand up and you cause the person, you go down fighting. You make the stakes so high ... you look the person in the face, you might lose but it's the only response to bullying. I think that every newspaper in the world – papers in

the world who would never have dreamed publishing the cartoons, never, but having been threatened the proper response is for every single one of the newspapers to have put the cartoons on the front page. That would have been the end of it, there would not have been any more threats.

That's how you respond to bullying. It is not by weak vacillating fear-driven responses. So, although there's a certain poser moralism here that motivates the first kind of PC-ness, fear is also a factor, I think.

The over-obsession with personal safety, that sort of political correctness that we laugh about. You know, I don't know if anyone subscribes to The Week - it lists all the idiocies of the week in Britain, that sort of PC-ness, they always talk about the health and safety kind. I think some people prefer to dwell in this warm fuzz world of moral abstractions.

It's all about personal safety. Nobody stops and asks questions about if we do a cross benefit analysis is it really better to make people wear helmets when they ride bicycles? It's not clear that it is. You weigh it all up and you factor in obesity and health and all sorts of things, admitting once every 400,000 times not wearing a bicycle helmet might cause problems, might kill somebody, nobody wants to ask that sort of questions, and you end up with this mania for zero, zero tolerance, which actually can have long term consequences.

The third strain constraining what we can laugh about - I reckon some people are born without a sense of humour. They don't want anyone to laugh because they can't. I don't know what else to say. You've got your cavaliers and you've got your roundheads.

Now this takes us why all this needs to be fought. It's just a fact, I think, that on questions like What are we going to do with the Ground Zero Mosque? Or, what are we going to do about border control policy? Or gay marriage or coal-fired power stations in Australia? It's just not true to think that one side of the argument has some sort of pipe-line to God and their moral sentiments quiver at just the right frequencies and the other people are just all racists, sub-standard human beings. The fact is that in any populations of tens of millions of people you just have honest disagreements between smart, reasonable, nice people.

That's the sensible way to see the world. A non-sensible way to see the world is that after four billion years of evolution I am the one whose moral sentiment is always right and anyone who disagrees with me is defective, which is what you hear again and again from a lot of people. They don't really put it that way but that's honestly what they're thinking. I'm sure you've tuned in to the ABC on occasion and you get the sense.

So, the demands for political correctness are such that it becomes a default explanation for disagreement. It's pathetic. So, standing up to political correctness matters because it involves standing up for free speech. Because not just for free speech in some sort of libertarian abstract sense, I'm not like that, but because you weigh up the cost and benefit, you get a lot more benefit that costs, when you let people talk, especially when people offend you and disagree with you. Sure, you don't want anyone to counsel murder but we go way too far the other way.

So this free flowing back and forth contest of ideas where you don't rule some people out as beyond the pale in advance. It's crucial not only in having a successful democracy. It's crucial in good policy making. You know there's nothing worse than being surrounded by yes-men, except in your marriage. I haven't been lucky enough to have experienced that - I can make that exception. But leaving that aside, so it's crucial having new ideas withstanding a critical attack.

Now, maybe in question time people want to raise some examples of political correctness worth raising, like the Larry Summers case at Harvard or the idea of profiling at airports where they feel constrained to treat my mother who is eighty - an eighty year old grandmother gets treated the same as a twenty year old Arab male because you know, we have to pretend the risk is the same where no sane person actually thinks they are. Or the foolhardy desire to try to create extended privacy entitlements. You only have to see how that is working in New Zealand. Or a thorough-going awfulness of political correctness in Australian universities. I leave that to potential questions because my time is up.

Let me just finish by thanking Greg and the CIS for holding these sorts of evenings and bringing these sorts of issues to the attention of everyone. So thank you.

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## Dr Thilo Sarrazin

Thank you Greg, ladies and Gentlemen. Until 2008 I did not concern myself very much with political correctness. I was too busy doing other things. In my career as a civil servant, as a board member as an executive in different enterprises and later on as a politician I had a reputation for being outspoken because it's my way of expressing myself. But that concerned mostly in my professional field and was therefore accepted. Everything changed with an interview I gave in September 2009 about the economic problems of Berlin and its roots and a book I had published in August 2010 with the title, **Deutschland schafft sich ab** - Germany abolishes itself.

Its main conclusions are:

1. That Germany as a nation is doomed by its demography. The low and stable birth-rate means that every generation is about 30% smaller than the one before.
2. The brightest people have the fewest children, and for this reason the intellectual and educational achievements in Germany will shrink even faster than the population shrinks. This is no danger for the future, this is already in full swing.
3. The kind of immigration we have in Germany, mostly from Islamic third world countries from Africa and the Middle East will not solve the problem. It makes it more difficult and

aggravates them. The reason for this is the Islamic background and the poor educational performance of these groups, which is far below the European average, even in the second and third generation.

So far my book. These conclusions are, of course, too controversial and they were intended to be because the in the matter of society there is no such thing as an absolute truth, and I'm the first to admit this. So I had expected a controversial discussion but nothing had prepared me for the public storm that broke loose upon the publication of my book. I was accused of advocating biological determinism - the first in the discussion of my book, and I was labelled a social Darwinist, a racist and an enemy of the people, an enemy of social justice. I survived morally and politically only from the enthusiastic support from the large part of the general public, and the new media was also very helpful in this regard. In this case the print media and the television had obviously lost their monopoly of interpretation, and this was plain for everybody to see. Realising this many politicians started a tactical withdrawal from the debate. At first they had all been over me and then after discovering that in the polls the majority of the people supported my views they were getting more cautious.

In the course of events I stepped down as a board member of the Deutsche Bundesbank but not before I had been formally cleared from all allegations of misconduct. In the following months I thought a lot about the controversial reaction to my book, and my theory is as follows:

The code of conduct in a society, which is not laid down by law, varies over time. It is to a large degree implicit and not subject to formal or even openly discussed rules. But those members who do not observe it run the risk of being excluded from the so-called good society. Having and expressing the right set of opinions about scientific, social and political questions is an important part of this code of conduct. Most people want to preserve this prevailing code of conduct but being busy with their jobs and families they have no informed opinion on their own on most matters. So they think and believe what the media say they should think and believe. Politicians, on the other hand, form their understanding of the public opinion by consuming the media. Most of them sincerely believe that voters think what the media writes or says they think.

Media are made by people and media people recruit themselves in the process of the first election, much as lawyers, doctors and engineers do. So that is the particular code of the group. This shows the media people listen to other media people. Endorsed by this self-selection media people as a rule have a set of opinions that tends to be on the left side of mainstream society, and this is true for all kinds of western societies.

I don't say this is a bad thing in itself but I think this partly explains the mindset of political correctness. Most people shy away from saying or even thinking anything that is perceived to be politically incorrect. So the mechanics of political correctness prevents the expression of dissenting opinions notwithstanding the formal freedom of speech. It even stops the generation of incorrect thoughts. The prevailing scene of political correctness are deeply ingrained in the, to some degree, unconscious mindset of the political class and of the media.

The reflective on the direction on my book I identified thirteen things which constitute the main body of political correctness in Germany. My book violates as I discovered through hindsight, every one of them.

Here is a list of political correctness in Germany. I think the list describes the truth but it takes some irony or the sense of humour to really understand it fully. The problem lies not in any single item on the list but in their combination and in their rigid application to political thinking and to any form of publicly expressing oneself. And here is the list:

1. Inequality is bad – equality is good.
2. Words such industriousness, precision, punctuality, are of no particular value; competition is morally questionable, except in sport, because it promotes inequality.
3. The rich should feel guilty; exception rich people who have earned their money as athletes or pop stars.
4. Different conditions of life has nothing to do with people's choices but with circumstances, they argue.

5. All cultures are of equal rank and value, especially the values and ways of the Christian Occident and western industrialised countries should not enjoy any privilege. Those who think differently are provincial and xenophobic.

6. Islam is a religion of peace. Those who see any problem with immigration from Islamic countries are guilty of Islamophobia. This is nearly as bad as anti-Semitism.

7. Western industrialised nations carry the main responsibility for poverty and backwardness in other parts of the world.

8. Men and women have no natural differences except for the physical side of their sex.

9. The human ability depends mainly on training and education. Inherited differences play hardly any role.

10. There are no differences between people and races except for the physical appearance.

11. The nation state is an outdated model. The national identities and particularities have no particular value. The national element as such is rather bad. It is at any rate not worth preserving, and the future belongs to the world society.

12. All people in the world do not only have equal rights, they are in fact equal. They should at least all be eligible for the benefits of the German welfare system. This is no joke. There are people in Germany who think just that.

13. Children are an entirely private affair. Immigration takes care of the labour market and of any other demographic problems.

So far the list. In this condensed form it sounds like a joke. But it is not a joke. These are the hidden axioms of political correctness in Germany and probably elsewhere as I see them. There are other points, which one could also mention, the environment and other things. But this is a list which is most important in Germany. Every item on the list has for those who propose them a high emotional value and therefore is always a danger of injuring those people who regard others being of a different opinion in this particular point.

The core of the problem is partly moral and partly ideological attitudes are taken at face value and mixed up with reality. To illustrate, the example of equality. Of course it's a right social and moral norm to regard all people as having equal rights and earning equal opportunities. But this does not mean that they are equal.

And if one confuses those two matters, one gets a wrong outlook of reality, therefore in the end comes the wrong solutions, wrong answers. It is a permanent task, I'm afraid, to sort that out.

It makes me faintly optimistic though after all that turmoil I'm still morally alive and not buried and ignominiously forgotten. That was the intention of the vast majority of the political and the media class, in my case in Germany, but for once the general public publicly disagreed. This in itself is a matter of satisfaction for me and for many people in Germany.

Thank you very much.

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## Dr Janet Albrechtsen

Thank you Greg. Jim, I just need to raise something with you. We're having a competition between New Zealand and Australia when it comes to PC and safety. I recall being in New Zealand not so long ago and I couldn't really blow-dry my hair in the bathroom lest I electrocute myself. I must say it's a close-run thing because we recently bought a new house and I can't get hot water. We are now mandated to have a certain temperature and I asked the plumber to turn it up but no,

you're not allowed to lest we burn ourselves. It's happening everywhere.

I just aint to make one quick mention. Greg mentioned when he read out our bios there seems to be a theme going on and it's no coincidence that we have The Australian and the CIS here because you won't find a think-tank in Australia more devoted to free speech and you certainly won't find a newspaper more devoted to free speech. So it's a great honour to be here.

When it comes to political correctness I tend to defer to what Mark Twain said – he knew something about political correctness when he said: Sometimes I wonder whether the world is run by smart people who are putting us on or by imbeciles who really mean it.

It's tempting to assume that the PC crowd is having us on and I can regale you with any number of stories, such as the Seattle school that last year re-named Easter eggs as spring spheres, worrying that a chocolate egg might after all remind young kids of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Or that Sesame Street has been sanitised so that any episodes that were made between 1969 and 1974 now are aired with adults only warnings, and I kid you not. Enid Blyton has not been spared, of course. To appease the don't-smack-children lobby, Dame Slap has now been named Dame Snap, and feminists have been accommodated too, so that Julian and Dick are now required to do household chores along with the female characters. And the gay lobby, of course, has not been forgotten either with the word 'gay' being replaced by the word 'happy'. And Betsie has been replaced with Beth to avoid any connotation of slavery. I must say that went completely over my head, and Enid Blyton's golliwogs, well, they've been banished too. The Lion King – well, we can talk about how it's full of racist and homophobic messages, according to Caroline Newburger from the Harvard University, who said the good-for-nothing hyenas are nothing more than urban blacks who speak in gay clichés.

Surely they are having us on, right? But of course we know they are not having us on. And these are not imbeciles who really mean it either. These are very smart people who mean it. Smart because the PC virus has infected so much of what we do, how we live, what we read and how we think, and I think it's the thinking part that should trouble us the most.

Earlier this year Alan Gribbin an English professor at Auburn University at Alabama joined with a publisher to produce a new version of Mark Twain's Huckleberry Fin. In the new Huck Fin the word 'nigger', which appears over two hundred times in the original has been replaced with the word 'slave'. The professor worried that the word offended too many children so that the book would not be read. But as you may know Huck Fin satirises Southern prejudices at the time. It is, in fact, an anti-racist book, and if you mess with the power of Twain's words, you mess with the power of Twain's message. And if school children are to think about American history, for example, about the Deep South, they need to read about Niggers, the history and the language are certainly confronting.

But then great literature unsettles us. It's meant to. It forces us to think about our reactions if we are offended. We think about why we are offended. By denying us the ability to think, Political Correctness is a heresy if we're truly committed to liberalism. Political correctness, after all, aims to tell us what to think. It seeps into so many parts of society so often without us paying any attention to its aims. Because purveyors of Political Correctness are not imbeciles – they are smart people armed with clever tricks – you do need to pay more attention. In the last few weeks some of those on the left have claimed those who raise questions about multiculturalism, immigration and the relationship of Islam and Modernity have blood on our hands. I say 'our hands' because I've named as someone who has shared responsibility to what happened in Oslo. Others to be named as complicit in the mass murder include Keith Windschuttle, Andrew Bolt and Geoffrey Blainey. Now here we have murder being used as a muzzle, to close down free speech. And this is just the latest addition to what is a growing list of tactics to curb free speech, and even worse to stifle genuine enquiry and independent thinking.

So let me go quickly through some of the tricks. If you want to immediately close down a discussion, say immigration or border control, you can choose from a range of emotionally charged tools. You call your opponents 'racists', point to 'xenophobia' in the community. Opponents are not just wrong, they're evil. Therefore their views should not be aired in a civilised society. John Howard, as we know, copped this for years. And even Prime Minister Julia Gillard, when she called for an open debate about these issues last year, was right on queue she, too, was accused of whipping up the racist in Australia. But remember this, stifling political correctness that rejected an open debate about immigration in the early 1990s helped fuel the emergence and popularity of Pauline Hanson.

That brings me to the victim game. It's been fuelled by two recent developments. We now live in an age when feelings are treated as a measurement of moral values so that you measure your feelings against the feelings of others to determine morality. Hence we live in what author Monica Ali calls the market place of outrage where groups vie for victimhood status, each claiming that their feelings have been hurt more than others.

Secondly, this focus on vulnerability is used as justification enough to curb enlightenment values such as freedom of expression, and as a member of a minority you need only utter the word 'phobia' to close down debate. Now over the last few years we've witnessed what has become a familiar opera of Muslim oppression used to shut down a debate on this front. The first act starts with something simple, perhaps it's called a book, Satanic Verses, or a silly Danish cartoon, or a film called Submission, or even a cheeky episode by South Park that sends up the fact that Mohammed seems to be the only guy free from ridicule.

In Act Two comes the libretto. Muslims, or a small minority of Muslims scream about hurt feelings. The drama builds in this second act. Death threats are issued. Flags and a few effigies are burned and maybe even a few boycotts imposed. And then we hear that great aria of accusations: Islamophobia.

The Third Act is, of course, is the most depressing. The West capitulates, preferring the path of least resistance to launching a staunch defence of freedom of expression. Hence, the then US President George H W Bush declared both Salman Rushdie's book and the fatwa against Salman Rushdie as equally offensive. Hence, twenty years later as Jim mentioned, newspapers across the globe refused to publish the Danish cartoons and politicians muttered something about hurt feelings. Hence last year Comedy Central, the channel that broadcasts South Park inserted audio blips and large blocks of black reading 'censored' at the very mention of Mohammad to prevent more hurt feelings. And as those clever guys at South Park said, 'Oh, like we lost'. And we, too, may lose if we don't recognise the tactics, let alone the consequences because we're left, after all, with a new norm of anticipatory surrender and self-censorship.

The victim game works so well because it's augmented by laws, the apparatus of the state as Jim mentioned. The prosecutions are mounting: Geerd Wilders in Holland, writers Mark Steyn and Ezra Lavant in Canada, and our own Andrew Bolt in Australia who is facing a claim by a group of Aborigines as you've already heard. The PC crowd, after all, is clever. They're not having us on. They know there are no useful tests about hurt feelings and inciting hate. They enact nice-sounding laws, they build bureaucracies, wait for them to blossom, and bludgeon free speech. They have effectively co-opted Islamic-style of oppression to prohibit debate, be it about Islam or anything else they wish to fence off from free speech.

The other trick is to quietly exclude certain people from national discourse. We've seen that in Australia in the last few days with Tyro. So, perhaps it's appropriate that I will quote a German word which is Totschweigtaktik, and to be totsched is to be subjected to death by silence. Books, ideas and people that challenge the status quo are to be ignored. No, the ABC has not interviewed Tyro, neither has the Sydney Morning Herald, or any of the Fairfax newspapers. Shelley Gare wrote about this most recently in Quadrant last year when she said that to be totsched people find their effort are left to expire soundlessly like a butterfly in a jar. It happened to Orwell when he wrote his 1938 classic *Homage to Catalonia* in which addressed Stalinist's Russia involvement in the Spanish Civil War. The left-wing literati simply ignored it. By the time Orwell died in 1950 barely 1500 copies of his book had been sold. The same death by silence was used to ignore Australian writer Chris Kenney who challenged the Secret Womens' Business in relation to the Hindmarsh Island Affair, and it was used in relation to author Kate Jennings when she aimed her fire at the Sisterhood in post-modernism.

It's used by those who tell us that climate change will destroy us if we don't act immediately. Skeptics are being tossed. Opposing views – what opposing views? Governments, of course, have their own tactics and in recent times in Australia, those with poor ideas and even worse policies have resorted to something best described as the bi-partisanship racket, to fence-off themselves from criticism. The former Prime Minister Kevin Rudd called on bi-partisanship, you may recall, on indigenous policies, which sounds all rather nice until it soon became clear that Mr Rudd was looking for supine obedience to his agenda. There could be no disagreement, for example, when it came to the roll-back of the Northern Territory intervention. And if you dared to disagree, then of course you were accused of politicising the issue.

Now just imagine if these calls from those defending the status quo had managed to shut out the ideas of people such as Noel Pearson. No, I think the very last thing we want is bi-partisanship that's used so blatantly to stifle dissent and to vest moral authority in one voice. The Rudd government though tried bi-partisanship scam against climate change and

immigration. And each time the aim is the same: to place limits on free debate and to get us to rubber stamp government policy rather than to analyse it.

Another similar trick emerged from Canberra last year. This time from the cloistered offices of the Federal Treasury. Treasury boss Ken Henry demanded a supporting consensus from academics economists on major policy issues such as the emissions trading system and the then super profits tax on mining companies. In one breath Mr Henry said that he supported the contest of ideas but then said: 'There are occasions on which economists might at least for a period put down their weapons and join a consensus'. This ought to send shudders up our spine when a senior bureaucrat who crafted a policy that at least according to some could undermine Australia's economy, then demands obedience from the country's economists.

But as we know Mr Henry lost that debate and that, of course, is the point of free debate. It's the single most effective idea in disposing of bad ideas. Ideas are not finessed through consensus or by-partisanship. Now the aim of political correctness, as I said, is to tell people what to think, to stop individuals from thinking for themselves. So if we're serious about defending free speech, then vigilance demands that we look out for the tricks and that we test the trickery against first principles. The alternative is more moral disorientation and a weird kind of western death wish. And the principles are clear enough, I've said it many times. Free speech is not, as Mark Steyn said, a left-right thing. It's a free – un-free thing. You don't get to cry in favour of free speech just to defend those with whom you agree. And free speech must, as Jim says, include the right to offend, because if we prosecute offensive opinions then we encourage ever more ridiculous claims to victimhood and protection. We fuel that marketplace of outrage and we end up shutting down the true genius of western civilization – the contest of ideas.

But of course free speech and the value of debate depends on one more principle and that is that people truly listen to one another. So, on that note it's my turn to stop talking and to start listening.

Thanks.

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## Brendan O'Neill

My favourite example of political correctness involves the American navy. In October 2001, after America had invaded Afghanistan, some of its navy personnel were preparing missiles that were going to be fired at al-Qaeda and Taliban strongholds. And one of the navy men decided to write a message on the side of his missile, a message to express his anger about 9/11.

So in reference to the 9/11 hijackings he wrote the following message on his missile: 'Hijack this you faggots'. Now little did he know that even though the American military had rather a lot on its mind at that time, his message would still cause a massive controversy. And when they heard about what had happened the upper echelons of the navy were outraged.

They expressed official disapproval of this homophobic message. And they issued a warning that military personnel should 'more closely edit their spontaneous acts of penmanship.' And they even issued some unofficial guidelines covering what could and could not be written on the side of post 9/11 missiles. So there should be nothing offensive, the guidelines said. So for example it was OK to say something like 'I love New York', but it's not OK to use words like 'faggot'.

That is my favourite story about political correctness for two reasons. Firstly because it sums up how psychotically obsessed with language the PC lobby is—because what these navy people were effectively saying is that it's OK to kill people, but not to offend them. It's OK to drop a missile on someone's house or

someone's cave, just so long as that missile doesn't have anything inappropriate written on the side of it. You know, heaven forbid that the last thing a member of the Taliban should see before having his head blown off is a word reminding him of the existence of homosexuality. And this really captures the warping of morality that is inherent in political correctness, where you become so myopically focussed on speech, on representation, that everything else, including matters of life and death, become subordinate to that.

And the second reason it's my favourite example of political correctness is because it captures a truth about political correctness that is far too often overlooked, which is that political correctness is not actually the handiwork of small groups of cultural Marxists or liberal malcontents. The rise and rise of political correctness is not simply down to the activism and agitation of unrepresentative sections of the chattering classes who detect vulgar language and what they consider to be offensive ideas. If it was, then how could we explain the actions of the American navy? Why would one of the most powerful, well-armed institutions on earth buckle under pressure from those kinds of people—from people who read *The Guardian* or *The Age*?

No, political correctness represents something far more profound. The victory of political correctness is built upon the demise and the decay of traditional forms of authority and traditional forms of morality. It is parasitical on the crisis of

conservative thought. In fact I would argue that the power of political correctness is directly proportionate to the weakness of the old, taken-for-granted forms of morality.

I can understand the temptation to see political correctness as simply the imposition of a framework by small groups of illiberal liberals, to see it as a kind of conscious project pushed through by these rather irritating sections of society. And you know there are two striking things about political correctness which would seem to bolster the view that it is the creation of a cabal of grumpy, misanthropic feminists and environmentalists. Firstly, political correctness came to the fore at a time when conservative governments enjoyed strong electoral support. Political correctness really exploded in America and Britain in the 1980s when Reagan and Thatcher were in power. So the masses were largely supporting conservative regimes, yet at the same time political correctness is born and becomes more and more widespread, boosting the idea that the cut-off cultural elite sat down one day and drew up some rules for everyday life.

And secondly, political correctness does tend to be most vociferously promoted by the media and sections of academia—by those rather rarefied, aloof institutions with more than their fair share of worthy people. But to look at PC in that way only, just to see it as a kind of conscious project of the illiberal liberals with its list of 13 rules, as Thilo drew out, I think that is to miss the foundation stone of political correctness, the ground upon which it is built, which is the inability of the traditional moralists to justify themselves and to defend their way of life and their moral system. It is that inability which creates a moral vacuum which gets rather feverishly filled up by new forms of intolerant morality.

Because when you have a profound crisis of traditional and conservative morality which governs society for so long, then previously normal and unquestioned ways of behaving get called into question. Nothing can be taken for granted anymore, from everyday speech to interpersonal relations—even to nursery rhymes. All the given things of the past 200 or 300 years fall apart, and political correctness fills that hole. It's a tentative takeover by a new kind of modern-day moralist. And the end result is undoubtedly tyrannical and profoundly illiberal and antagonistic to individual autonomy.

To see how political correctness has its origins in the demise of traditionalism, it's instructive to look at the example of the Girl Guides. For 100 years or so the Girl Guides in Britain and also in Australia was a fairly straightforward organisation. It was designed to instil girls with imperial pride. The Girl Guides had a simple slogan: you had to swear an oath of loyalty to god, Queen and Country. And then about 15 years ago the British Girl Guides rewrote their constitution. They brought out a new vision statement. They turned one page into about 20 pages. There was no more duty to God. Instead there was a promise to 'love my god', in recognition of the fact that there are many gods today and there is no one true god or one true religion.

It no longer requires girls to swear a loyalty to the Queen; instead it encourages them to feel sympathy for the Queen, because, it says, 'It cannot be easy for her, being photographed everywhere she goes.' Now the key thing here is that nobody invaded the Girl Guides' headquarters and forced them at gunpoint to rewrite their constitution. They did it themselves, because those three institutions: God, Queen and Country, are no longer real sources of authority. All three of

them: religion, monarchy and nationalism have suffered a profound crisis of legitimacy. And it was the Girl Guides' instinctive recognition of that which led them to rewrite, voluntarily, their own rules and their own outlook.

So political correctness is not cultural Marxists storming the citadel and forcing us to obey them. The fact is that the citadel has collapsed and they are just amongst the rubble, trying to fashion a new kind of morality for society. And that is why political correctness is so hysterical and so shrill and so intolerant. Not because it is strong, but because it is weak and isolated. It has no real roots in society and it has no real roots in history. It has no popular legitimacy; it has no public support. And it is better seen as a knee-jerk, instinctive imposition of a new morality designed to somehow replace the old.

And in that kind of situation everything must be controlled, no-one can be trusted, no-one knows what is right and wrong anymore. It is the moral hole at the heart of society that gives rise to this insatiable desire to implement all kinds of new rules and regulations. So even nursery rhymes are being re-written. In the example of Britain, we've recently rewritten the nursery rhyme 'What shall we do with the drunken sailor?' So now 'drunken sailor' has been replaced with 'grumpy pirate', because we don't want children to know about alcohol. The old rhyme used to say 'stick him in a bag and beat him senseless' and the new rhyme says 'tickle him until he starts to giggle'. And people refer to it as PC gone mad, you know, these crazy feminists in dungarees in their offices rewriting nursery rhymes and forcing them on to schools. But a more important question to ask is what kind of crazy society rewrites rhymes that children sing? What kind of unhinged society does that—rewrites rhymes that have been around for generations? Only a society which has entirely lost its moral bearings; which can no longer take the most basic things for granted would do such a ridiculous, Orwellian thing.

The hysteria of political correctness really speaks to its opportunistic, parasitical nature. A more confident moral system would be able to tolerate deviance. An unconfident, accidental moral system like political correctness can tolerate no deviance at all, because it continuously fears for its own continued survival. And it's important to bear those in mind, because sometimes the critics of political correctness are too quick to play the victim card. Janet described very well and very accurately the way in which politically correct people play the victim card, but sometimes so do un-PC people.

Too many right-wing thinkers claim that a conspiratorial cabal of PC lunatics is ruining our lives, which conveniently absolves these right-wing and conservative thinkers of having to work out whatever happened to their morality and to their traditions. Where did they go? It is easier to claim that society has been taken over by crazy, lentil-eating, sandal-wearing feminists and annoying Greens. It is far harder to account for the demise of a way of life that had existed for hundreds of years.

We should get to grips with these two facts. Firstly, PC is built on the decay of traditional morality. Secondly it is weak, it is fragile, it is probably quite easy to demolish. If we bear that in mind, then we can more successfully fight against it, against this profoundly censorious and suspicious and irrational moral system. And if you feel like you are being treated like a heretic, then you should behave like a heretic.

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**And here is the latest from veteran broadcaster Philip Adams who, so it seems, refuses to acknowledge the fact that when the Australian Racial Discrimination Act is invoked, as it was against Töben and Bolt, then truth as a defence is thrown overboard because a judge merely has to find that so-called "published material is LIKELY to offend...". Anything can be considered to be offensive, especially by those who play the victim card as a way-of-life. Adams' obfuscations, below, attempt to suggest that truth- factual matters were tested in court! At the London media enquiry that is looking into the Murdoch newspapers' phone hacking practice, the mother of the dead girl whose phone messages were hacked is calling for defamation laws to be amended so that 'the dead are protected'. To date defamation actions cease when a person dies, but not in Germany where a specific law protects Jews only, not Germans, or anyone else: defaming the memory of the dead!**



PHILIP ADAMS

## Give 'em enough rope

**T**wenty years on, Australia's 1975 Racial Discrimination Act was to be turbocharged with the threat of imprisonment for the worst cases of vilification. I was one of the few on the Left to oppose this – and it cost me a lot of friends. Early in '94 I'd been invited to give the keynote address at an ethnic affairs conference in Hobart but by the time I approached the lecture my views were anathema and I was greeted with a chorus of boos. No longer a poster boy on matters multicultural, I was now the enemy.

I tried to explain my objections to a law that could send people to jail not for doing things but for saying things. No matter how vile the racism, how offensive the slur, it seemed to me a dangerous development.

On the one hand I endorsed Amnesty International for opposing the imprisonment of non-violent dissidents – no matter how violent their language. On the other I was meant to endorse a law that could have Australians jailed over their opinions? More boos. A traditional free speech argument didn't play much better.

I doubt that many in my audience had had as many public brawls with bigots. (Two would result in complaints to the Press Council – which find in my favour). This column had oft berated Alan Jones and his mini-me Sean Zemanek over appalling views on Aboriginal Australians that they would

broadcast from 2UE. Andrew Bolt had yet to blossom but in the future I would frequently express horror at his columns on indigenous affairs, in particular his contempt for Stolen Generation stories. But as I tried to warn my audience (mostly representatives of ethnic organisations) against the risks, the hostility grew. They couldn't see that the protection they sought would be entirely counterproductive.

Listing the names of Australia's professional bigots, I cited the notorious anti-Semite Fredrick Toben who would later spend months in jail in Germany for

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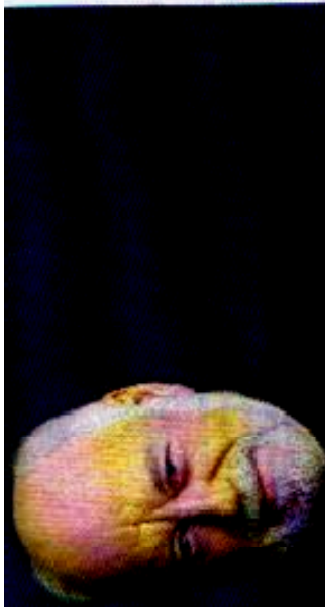
dismissing the Holocaust as "a myth". Toben yearned to be charged here – even better to be found guilty of racism. Best of all, to be imprisoned! Martyrdom is marvellous publicity. No better way to increase readers, recruit followers and Toben learnt much from his British mentor, David Irving, who manipulated controversy and court cases to become a global hero of the neo-Nazi Right.

There was also a cluster of Australian shock jocks who saw a day in court (but

perhaps not a term in the slammer) as manna from media heaven. But ignore the temptations of martyrdom. I tried to explain that any lifelong opposition to censorship had to extend to the most leathesome people and ideas. Freedom of speech doesn't work when it's qualified. And it links to the prohibition and interdiction of narcotics as much as to bigots, just as stupid drugs laws serve to increase drug use, any attempt to prohibit and interdict ideas simply intensifies them. Case in point: decades of anti-religious propaganda hasn't turned the people of the former Soviet Union into atheists. Rather the opposite. Having been bottled up since 1917, religious fervour blew the cork at the fall of Communism and sent repressed faith frothing into the streets. I know, I was there when it happened.

Better to have appalling ideas out in the open so that they can be confronted and countered. A reader has sent me some of my quotes from 1994. Among them this: "You can't legislate tolerance into existence and you certainly can't legislate the end of bigotry."

I'm wholly sympathetic to the group who took Bolt to court. The findings against him were not an attack on free speech but a surgical criticism of mistakes and misrepresentations in his writings. But let's win on the strength of our arguments rather than through the skills of our lawyers.



## **Myklos Grüner will finally get his day in court!**

### **Grüner False Identity Lawsuit Against Elie Wiesel Set For January 24 2012 in Budapest**

By Carolyn Yeager - [maillist@carolynyeager.net](mailto:maillist@carolynyeager.net)

This writer spoke on the telephone with Grüner in Sweden in September 2010, at which time he assured her he would challenge Wiesel's identity in a court in Budapest the following January. We know how court dates can be postponed, and even cancelled, but Grüner has proved himself to be a persevering man, and though a year late, it now seems he will indeed present his evidence in court. However, the defendant will not be the highly protected Elie Wiesel himself, but Hungarian rabbi Slomó Köves, who invited Wiesel to Hungary in 2009 while "knowing that (he) is not a genuine Holocaust survivor" but "stole the identity of an inmate," according to Grüner.

In a news story written by Stefan J. Bos for the BosNewsLife service, dated Friday, November 18, Grüner (pictured right) is reported to have said, "It's better to sue Wiesel directly, but that is impossible. After 26 years of research, the Hungarian court provides the first opportunity to present my case, which I hope to do by suing the rabbi."

Grüner explained, "Elie Wiesel, who lives in the United States, is a very hard man to get. The whole world is protecting him, from [U.S. President] Barack Obama to [German Chancellor] Angela Merkel. They are all scared the truth will come out,

because of prestige and money. I am also pressuring the German Bundestag to show me archives about Wiesel's past."

Grüner is quoted by Stefan Bos in a private interview on Friday as saying, "I don't seek financial compensation, but I want [Köves] to tell the world who his friend Elie Wiesel really is. Wiesel was never born in Hungary or Romania as he claims and was not in a concentration camp. He doesn't even speak Hungarian."

I don't know what evidence Grüner has that Wiesel was not born in Hungary or Romania, but I will surely be pleased if he has some.

Köves denies the accusations against Wiesel. "I was with him two days and Wiesel spoke with me in Hungarian. He also addressed parliament in Hungarian. These allegations are of an elderly man with some kind of complex," he told BosNewsLife. Köves also told Bos he had not been invited yet for the January 24 court hearing. The 82-year old Grüner has said he is angry at Köves for accusing him of "falsifying history," and comparing him to American academic Norman Finkelstein who wrote *'The Holocaust Industry'*.

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**For the record here is some dissenting voices/in-fighting material initiated by Carolyn Yeager - who rightly claims that if we wish to understand current world politics, then we have to evaluate the role played by Adolf Hitler in shaping the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, and not to accept the current "Absolute Evil" picture of Hitler that emerged out of the ruins of World War Two. Allegations made by David Brockschmidt that Adelaide Institute is in danger of becoming a 'Hitler fan-club' can be dismissed as an attempt to suppress fundamental matters that clarify what is currently driving global politics into another inexorable financial crash. History never repeats itself - but there is a re-curring, cyclical pattern of events that proves instructive for those who wish to understand what has been, what is and what will be.**

**From:** Carolyn [warwo14@yahoo.com](mailto:warwo14@yahoo.com)

**Sent:** Monday, 7 November 2011 9:45 AM

**To:** Radical Press; Ingrid Rimland; Gordon Duffus

**Subject:** Re: Gordon Duff: the Ugly Pseudo-American Zionist Agent

Dear Arthur,

I give you credit for the courage to send out this tough, heartfelt message. As you must know, I have been in the forefront of criticising Gordon Duff and "VT" -- perhaps the first to do so! I am gratified that so many others, well-known names, also caught on to what he is and have shed him from their orbit. Unfortunately, Ingrid Zundel is not one of those. She paints a very unflattering picture of those of "us" who even bring up a question of who is the enemy and who is the friend ... as wasps. Ingrid prefers to trust that all of "us" have only the highest motives, and a perfectly good explanation for what "we" do--therefore it is in bad taste to ask for an explanation. If we do, we enjoy stinging our comrades just for the hell of it.

I don't like this attitude of Ingrid's anymore than she likes my attitude. According to her, we should agree to disagree and leave it at that. But treason and infiltration are too serious of problems among "us" to leave it at that (and the stakes are too high)--isn't that how we reached the weak position we are in today? To be *nice* above all, to be polite and courteous above all, not to be *divisive*, is what those who are not us *want* us to be. Makes their job so much simpler. Don't look here, they say, there is nothing to see.

So I'm glad, Arthur, that you've questioned Ingrid on it ... and in doing so have brought out a typical response from Duff and revealed it to the rest of us. An arrogant asshole indeed! Maybe Ingrid should reread Goethe's Faust and reconsider her 90%-10% equation. Favors from the devil are not free.

Carolyn Yeager.

**From:** Radical Press [radical@radicalpress.com](mailto:radical@radicalpress.com)

**To:** Ingrid Rimland [ingridrimland@hughes.net](mailto:ingridrimland@hughes.net); Gordon Duffus [GPDUF@AOL.COM](mailto:GPDUF@AOL.COM)

**Sent:** Sunday, November 6, 2011 12:44 AM

**Subject:** Gordon Duff: the Ugly Pseudo-American Zionist Agent

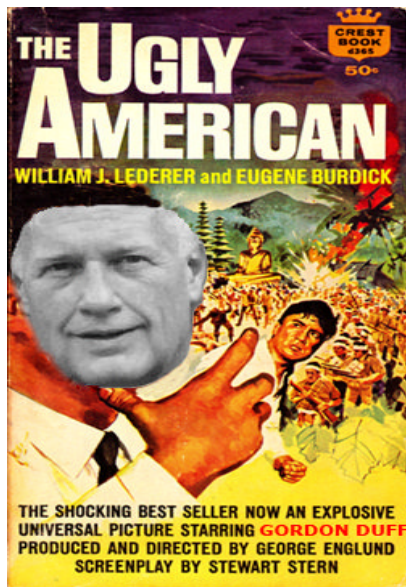
Hi Ingrid,

I'm sure you must be proud to have this typically arrogant schmuck responding on your behalf (let alone American vets). Gaining more coverage in cyberspace for yourself via his twisted Talmudic sophistry is akin to what someone else once said about gaining the world but ....

American's (the Ugly ones at least) are known the world over for their arrogance but inevitably in the majority of cases it all boils down to plain old Jew chutzpah hidden behind an 'American' facade. Maybe half Jews like Duff just can't help themselves. Possibly they're inherently schizoid due to their genetic mixing with the goy? Sort of like trying to mix oil and water together. Either they think (and behave) like a decent human being or they project their racist, know-it-all Jew persona in order to stop from going mad. It's a dilemma for



them no matter how you look at it and one I don't envy in the least.



I've been at this game for well over forty years now and even at that it took a long time to finally discern the mindset that's entrapped humanity. The trade mark of these vipers is always their inability to present or debate truth without resorting to ad hominem attacks and puerile ego blustering. Their impotence, like the net itself, is their Achilles' Heel. Sooner or later they must expose themselves. In Duff's case it's "me, me, me," a sure sign of the typical ghetto consciousness that inevitably appears in all those self-chosen who cannot restrain themselves when given any appreciable amount of power or influence.

Your admiration for this cyber chump is perplexing indeed Ingrid. I wonder what Ernst would think of him. Have you ever asked him?

All his bravado bullshit about Vietnam and vets is just another cover for his ego tripping and mind fucking with those who know the nature of his game.

As well, he's an embarrassment to those of us who've been opposing war (including Viet Nam) and the Zionist NWO agenda and that, coupled with his feeble efforts at trying to act like he isn't a double agent borders on, but fortunately isn't, tragic. He's just another flawed piece of machinery cranking out his case for his Jew taskmasters while using the American dream to hide his own nightmares.

I wish you the best with your association with VT. You'll need it with Duff at the helm.

Sincerely,  
Arthur Topham  
Pub/Ed

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**On 5-Nov-11, at 7:36 PM, [GPDUF@AOL.COM](mailto:GPDUF@AOL.COM) wrote:**

Art?

What are your sources on Libya?

Who do have on the ground there, not in the hotels and by the pool but fighting?

Nobody?

Ever been there?

Ever met Gaddafi? Have any intelligence training or wartime experience? Southeast Asia, Africa, Central America, Middle East?

Oil, diplomacy, any of it?

Suggest you stick to whining about hockey pucks and igloos and leave world politics to those of us who are professionals.

You are an embarrassing amateur and, perhaps unintentionally, a minor Zionist stooge.

They don't even have to pay you.

Ask them for a check....you are certainly doing their work.

Check your site and simply what VT has done in the last 12 hours.

Have you matched it in a year?

Not hardly.

Abe Foxman passes on his tanks to you and yours.

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**In a message dated 11/5/2011 5:44:48 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, [ingridrimland@hughes.net](mailto:ingridrimland@hughes.net) writes:**

Dear Ingrid,

Why? I keep asking myself why you are so infatuated with Duff given that he's been publishing material that is starkly and indisputably pro-Zionist in nature?

How can you consider him "Friendly" given this fact?

Does this also mean you condone what the UNO and NATO have done to the Libya and its people? Surely this cannot be.

Sincerely,

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**In a message dated 11/5/2011 5:44:48 P.M. Eastern Daylight Time, [ingridrimland@hughes.net](mailto:ingridrimland@hughes.net) writes:**

Dear Arthur -

I have tried very hard to stay out of this discussion because when there is cyber flak, our own people act like wasps and sting whatever is in their path. Indiscriminately! And if it hurts, they sting some more. I hate that! I absolutely HATE IT !!

Why do I write for VT? First of all, I didn't sidle up to them, as has been repeatedly claimed. I was invited, not once but several times - and I was assured that there would be no censorship. There has been NO censorship whatsoever from VT so far against anything I have written. I have been treated by any and all with concern and professional courtesy - which has not always been true coming from our own inner circles.

But more importantly, there was a practical reason why I said yes. I was maliciously demonized for who I was and what I said as long as I was within the Revisionist orbit proper. There was no relief from demonization, and even if I said harmless things and acted magnanimously, I was still under vicious and undeserved attack. And I was censored hand and foot by vicious Chosenites - I had no way of getting my thoughts mainstream. Therefore, I simply could not reach the audiences I needed. I could not make the friends that I needed to make who would carry my message at no cost to me. Now I am being read and quoted world-wide.

Likewise, my website as a separate entity was continually under attack; I did not have the time to repair it; there were months when it was totally crippled and off-line; it needed a complete overhaul and face lift for which I had no time - and most importantly, I no longer had a functional mass mailing list or a program where I could build a new one. Remember, I live in the mountains - no high-falutin' high speed Internet for me! VT was a convenient and very practical venue.

When Gordon invited me, I thought I would try it and see. I did not expect I would last, and I told him so - but there has been not one small peep of objection to my presence and to

my politically incorrect writing, not from him or from any of his impressive stable of columnists and writers. Not one small peep from anyone!

Maybe some folks complain to Gordon about me, but certain not TO me! I know I have befriended many I could not have called friends before. To have a "foreign legion" of sorts for my message has been very important to me.

My better and more important articles, such as the banking articles, have yielded a combined readership in hits of 30-40,000 in just a few days. I never had that kind of exposure and intelligent readership before. Stephen Goodson's stuff, from which I quoted liberally, had been published previously in the Revisionist Barnes Review - which has a readership of 7,000 and appears only every two months.

Am I "infatuated" with Gordon - or do I agree with everything he says? No. Do I always agree with what Mike Hoffman or Mike Rivera say - or even what Jeff Rense or Ryan Dawson say? No. I certainly don't always agree with Kaminski or even Bruce Campbell, but we are still friends and hopefully will stay friends. We still respect each other as comrades and colleagues.

I have said many, many times that if I have a comrade that agrees with me 90 percent, I grit my teeth and forgive him the 10 percent where I cringe.

I don't consider Gordon to be a disinfo agent. That's nonsense, in my opinion. His enemies planted that crummy false flag, and it should be ignored. You see, when all else fails, our enemies get us to attack each other as "Jews." In my book, Gordon does not look or talk like a Jew - not the kind that sneers at me and spits in my face and calls me filthy names - or in a thousand different ways makes my life a living hell.

Maybe he has a cousin thrice removed who is a Jew - what do I know? I never asked. He doesn't like the Israelis for the most part, and that is good enough for me - but I will admit he has a soft spot for some "Jews." For instance, he is friends with Gilad Atzmon - well, so am I. Gilad has quietly helped me - I wouldn't say how. He isn't totally on our side, but he is

more than halfway on our side. If he is otherwise a decent and freedom-loving mensch, he'll come around, I say.

I see Gordon as having a constituency of sorts he has to take into consideration because he represents, first and foremost, former American soldiers - and a certain tone and slant are required and expected. He says plenty against brutality in his own ranks.

I think we should all lay off beating up on comrades or semi-comrades like Gordon - and I do see him as a comrade who has a decent core. He loves America, and he is repelled and horrified at what his country has become. Can he be cagey? Yes. Aren't we?

I find his articles to be eclectic and extremely informative, but some things he writes I find jarring.

On the other hand, he cuts me lots of slack, and I return the favor. He hasn't been in our trenches. He has his own trenches - and we "on the extreme right" should not expect conformity in each and every matter. We just don't have that clout and presence to expect that.

My dictum has always been that we should band together on a mutual goal - that of neutralizing what harms and torments this planet - and shelve our disagreements until that foremost task is done. Like civilized folks, we can settle our disagreements later.

As to your specific question about Libya and Gaddafi - I was very shocked and dismayed. Even granted that Gaddafi may not have been the man many of us thought he was - it is shameful and unmanly to lynch a man in full view of the entire cyber world. An international court should have judged him and meted out what he, according to his record, may or may not have deserved. What that might have been, I have absolutely no idea. I can barely spell his name. I just felt that a brutal lynching was a stain on America in the eyes of the entire world, and it will backlash badly. But I try to stick to my own political agenda.

There is only so much I can do.

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**From: Raymond Goodwin [goodwinr@suddenlink.net](mailto:goodwinr@suddenlink.net)**

**Sent: Tuesday, 22 November 2011 6:23 AM**

**Subject: Google: An explanation of our search results for the word "Jew"**

If you recently used Google to search for the word "Jew," you may have seen results that were very disturbing. We assure you that the views expressed by the sites in your results are not in any way endorsed by Google. We'd like to explain why you're seeing these results when you conduct this search.

A site's ranking in Google's search results relies heavily on computer algorithms using thousands of factors to calculate a page's relevance to a given query. Sometimes subtleties of language cause anomalies to appear that cannot be predicted. A search for "Jew" brings up one such unexpected result.

If you use Google to search for "Judaism," "Jewish" or "Jewish people," the results are informative and relevant. So why is a search for "Jew" different? One reason is that the word "Jew" is often used in an anti-Semitic context. Jewish organizations are more likely to use the word "Jewish" when talking about members of their faith. The word has become somewhat charged linguistically, as noted on websites devoted to Jewish topics such as these:

<http://www.jewishworldreview.com/cols/jonah081500.asp>

Someone searching for information on Jewish people would be more likely to enter terms like "Judaism," "Jewish people," or "Jews" than the single word "Jew" In fact, prior to this incident, the word "Jew" only appeared about once in every 10 million search queries. Now it's likely that the great majority of searches on Google for "Jew" are by people who have heard about this issue and want to see the results for themselves.

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We apologize for the upsetting nature of the experience you had using Google and appreciate your taking the time to inform us about it.

Sincerely, The Google Team

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